

Notice of Allowability

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 4/17/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-10, 15-20, 22-25, 27 and 37.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments and amendments, filed 4/17/2006, with respect to Claims 16 and 23 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The objection to claims 16 and 23 are withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 2-10, 15-20, 22-25, 27, and 37 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.
 - The prior art fails to teach an apparatus of Claims 2, 4, 15, 19, and 37 that specifically comprises the following:
 - The instant application is deemed to be directed to a non-obvious improvement over the admitted prior art of the instant application and the invention patented in Pat. No. 6,128,351, 6,594,226, 6,697,641 and Ariyavisitakul, "A Decision Feedback Equalizer with Time-Reversal Structure", IEEE Journal on selected area in communications, vol. 10, No. 3, April 1992. The improvement comprises-

With regard claims 2 and 4, "some of the symbols in at least one of the symbol sequences are negated, and during the first block of the transmission frame, applying the first symbol sequence to a first antenna and the second symbol sequence to a second antenna and during the second block of the transmission frame applying the fourth symbol

sequence to the first antenna and the third symbol sequence to the second antenna." as recited,

With regard claims 15 and 19, "to transmit through the second antenna (group) a time reversed and complex conjugate form of the first symbol stream during a second block of the transmission frame, and to transmit through the first antenna (group) a time reversed, complex conjugate and negated form of the second symbol stream during the second block of the transmission frame." as recited, and

With regard claim 37, "each of the first and second symbol streams and that correlation between symbols close to each other in each of the first and second symbol streams is not significantly effected; and processing the plurality of symbol streams before transmitting each symbol stream through a channel, wherein processing the plurality of symbol streams comprises time-reversing at least one of the symbol streams before transmitting the at least one of the processed symbol streams." as recited.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ted M. Wang whose telephone number is (571) 272-3053. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh Fan can be reached on 571-272-3042. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.


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